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Mr. Ron Conrow
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RE: REQUEST THAT RANCHO LPG/PLAINS ALL AMERICAN PIPELINE EMPLOY THE EXPERT ADVICE OF PROFESSOR BOB BEA IN DEVELOPING A PROBABILISTIC RISK ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT PROCESSES ON RANCHO LPG FACILITY, SAN PEDRO

Dear Mr. Conrow:

Your company and its subsidiary, Rancho LPG LLC, have been adamant in your consistent position that Rancho LPG poses no real threat to the safety of the adjacent residents and Ports of LA and Long Beach.

Professor Bob Bea, at UC Berkeley, is recognized as the pre-eminent authority on risk in the USA. Therefore, it would seem a prudent, wise and cost effective decision by Plains All American Pipeline to engage in a "comprehensive risk analysis" and "probabilistic risk assessment" utilizing a team of qualified professionals while engaging Professor Bea in an advisory capacity. Given the authoritative credentials of Professor Bea, his participation in establishing your facility's safety would go a long way to assure the public and allow the business of Rancho to move forward unimpeded by nervous homeowners and citizens of other local municipalities.

While Professor Bea has reviewed some details of your LPG operation, we would encourage your company to solicit his recommendation of analysis so that *all* details of the operation can be more fully examined and your claims of Rancho LPG's safety proven.

The federal Chemical Safety Commission and Senator Barbara Boxer have recognized the flagrant deficiencies in refinery and chemical storage operations that have led up to the devastating events of San Bruno, Richmond, West, Texas, and Louisiana. *Your own Plains Mid-Stream Canada pipeline spill in 2011 in Alberta (one of the worst spills on record) has added significantly to the existing trepidation of your operation.*

Great effort is now being focused on what can and should be done to "prevent" these catastrophes that have been and "are" entirely preventable. US Chemical Safety Commissioner Moure-Eraso said in a recent statement, "Not only are more preventive inspections by highly competent inspectors needed, but more rigorous major accident prevention requirements are necessary as well."

Engaging in this comprehensive risk analysis with Professor Bea's assistance would certainly help the neighbors in and around Rancho LPG, who have long feared for their safety, develop the sense that your company is not ambivalent to their very real concerns. This Study would be a gesture of great importance that could underscore a commitment by your company to the safety of the general public.

We sincerely hope that you will follow through with this recommendation and contact Professor Bea soon in the best interest of all involved parties.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chuck Hart".

Chuck Hart
President